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### **REMARKS**

The Office Action of August 26, 2005 has been considered in detail, and Applicants' hereby submit their comments to the Office Action below.

The rejection of claims 3, 6, 10 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, is obviated by the amendments to these claims.

The anticipation rejection of claims 1, 11 and 21, as well as the rejection of the remaining rejected claims under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), is overcome by the submission of the enclosed Declaration under 37 C.F.R. 1.131. The Declaration indicates the claimed subject matter was successfully reduced to practice prior to the February 2, 2004 filing of the Lin patent (U.S. Patent 6,883,537).

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, favorable reconsideration and allowance are in order.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filling of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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#### **DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.131**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I, Allan M. Lowe, hereby declare as follows:

I am the attorney who prepared the referenced application. Prior to February 2, 2004, I had in my office the structure illustrated in the figures of the present application, and a coiled hose of the type illustrated by reference numeral 10 on Figure 1 of the application.

Prior to February 2, 2004, I installed a coiled hose of the type illustrated by reference numeral 10 onto the structure of the coiled hose holder illustrated by the drawings, such that the coiled hose was positioned on the holder as illustrated on Figure 1 of the present application.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine, or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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